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## Twinbrook Celebrates Community Culture

*The City Seeks Community Members to Participate in Twinbrook Multicultural Day*

Community members are invited to share their culture with their neighbors during Twinbrook Multicultural Day on Saturday, May 16.

The festival, from 4-7 p.m. at the Twinbrook Community Recreation Center, at 12920 Twinbrook Parkway, will feature cultural exhibits, performances and presentations and food representing the people and cultures of the growing community. The festival is free and open to all.

"Twinbrook Multicultural Day will celebrate our growing and diverse community," said Kelley Day, supervisor of the Twinbrook Community Recreation Center. "It's an opportunity for neighbors to connect with each other by sharing

their global experiences and cultures."

Community members are encouraged to sign up by May 8 to exhibit facts and artifacts of their native country, including its flag, language and cultural items, such as currency, native dress, music, games and other hands-on activities. Presentations or performances, or video clips of cultural presentations, are also welcome. Attendees will get to know their neighbors as they visit the exhibits and learn about their neighbors' native culture.

For more information about Twinbrook Multicultural Day, including how to participate, contact Kelley Day at [kday@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:kday@rockvillemd.gov) or 240-314-8833, or visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/twinbrook](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/twinbrook). ❖

# 2040 ROCKVILLE

## What do you want Rockville to be like in 2040?

**Rockville 2040 Communitywide Kickoff Meeting**  
Saturday, May 9 • 10 a.m.-1 p.m. • VisArts, 155 Gibbs St.  
(Doors open at 9:30 a.m.)

The city is updating its 2002 Comprehensive Master Plan, which describes the vision for the city's future. We invite you to tell us what you think will help preserve Rockville's quality of life.

[www.rockvillemd.gov/masterplanupdate](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/masterplanupdate)

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## Planning Commission Considers Rockville's Pike Plan

The Planning Commission began its review in April of the Mayor and Council's letter regarding changes to the draft "Rockville's Pike Plan."

The commission is preparing the final draft of the plan they will send on to the Mayor and Council for adoption.

The draft plan, which is being updated for the first time since 1989, establishes policies for land use, transportation, parks and other topics along a key 2-mile stretch of the Pike corridor. The Mayor and Council have expressed interest in adopting a Pike plan within their current

term, which ends in November.

Read the Mayor and Council's letter in the Planning Commission's April 8 agenda at [www.rockvillemd.gov/agendacenter](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/agendacenter). Watch Planning Commission meetings on Rockville 11 (cable channel 11) or at [www.rockvillemd.gov/rockville11](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/rockville11).

Learn more by reading the draft plan or its 9-page executive summary at [www.rockvillemd.gov/rockvillespike](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/rockvillespike). Hard copies are available for review at City Hall, the Rockville and Twinbrook libraries and Rockville community centers. ❖

## City Hall to Close for Memorial Day

*Recycling and Refuse Will Be Collected One Day Later During the Holiday Week*

Rockville City Hall and some city facilities will be closed Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day.

Recycling, yard waste and refuse collection will be suspended on May 25, and made one day later. Collection regularly made on Monday will be made on Tuesday; regularly scheduled Tuesday collection will occur on Wednesday and so on.

For more information on holiday collection schedules, call 240-314-8568 or visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/recycling-refuse](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/recycling-refuse).

*The following Rockville facilities will be closed May 25:*

- F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre and box office
- Croydon Creek Nature Center
- Glenview Mansion and the Art Gallery
- Lincoln Park, Thomas Farm and Twinbrook community centers
- Rockville Senior Center

Rockville Swim and Fitness Center's indoor pool and fitness center will be open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Due to the city's Memorial Day parade, access to Martins Lane and the swim center parking lot will be restricted until after noon. The north pool will be open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. The outdoor recreation and fitness pools will be open noon-9 p.m. The south indoor pool will be closed.

Parking fees at city-owned meters will be suspended for the day.

For more information, go to [www.rockvillemd.gov](http://www.rockvillemd.gov) or call 240-314-5000. ❖

**Our Town—Rockville**  
A Maryland Public  
Television Documentary

## Be Part of Rockville's Story

Sign out a camera to record video of Rockville's everyday events, people and places. Complete the participation form at [www.rockvillemd.gov/ourtown](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/ourtown).

For more information, email [ourtown@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:ourtown@rockvillemd.gov) or call Julie Farrell at 240-314-8682.

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## Public Invited to Rockville Science Center Meetings

Organizers Plan for Permanent Home

Rockville community members have discussed finding or building a permanent home for the Rockville Science Center for years, and a series of community brainstorming sessions aims to develop a business plan to do just that.

Organizers invite the public to attend sessions at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 9 or Saturday, May 30 in the Carnation Room at the Rockville Senior Center, 1150 Carnation Drive.

Additional meetings are being planned for June 13 and 27 and July 11 and 25. Refreshments will be served.

At each brainstorming session, Group Map software will collect ideas generated from the following topic areas: facility, outreach, finance, human resources, content and programs. Each topic will be represented by a table. Attendees will be able to see what each table is doing in real time on a board at the front of the room.

To attend a brainstorming session, email [RSC2.0@rockvillesciencecenter.org](mailto:RSC2.0@rockvillesciencecenter.org) and indicate which session you will attend. Organizers expect to hold a communitywide open house in September.

Learn more at [www.rocknet.org/ScienceCenter/imagine-our-future](http://www.rocknet.org/ScienceCenter/imagine-our-future).



## Join Rockville Homeowners in Going Solar

Learn how to save up to 25 percent on the cost of a rooftop solar system by going solar with a neighborhood co-op.

- Date and Time: Tuesday, May 5 at 7 p.m.
- Location: Mayor and Council Chambers, Rockville City Hall, 111 Maryland Ave.

Participants negotiate a group discount and receive technical assistance and guidance throughout the process.

To learn more and register, visit <http://mdsun.org/rockville>. Email questions to [solarteam@mdsun.org](mailto:solarteam@mdsun.org).

Organized by the Rockville Environment Commission.

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# News You Can Use

## July Fourth Celebration Has a New Home

Bring friends and family to celebrate the Fourth of July, as Rockville hosts its annual Independence Day celebration in Mattie J.T. Stepanek Park.

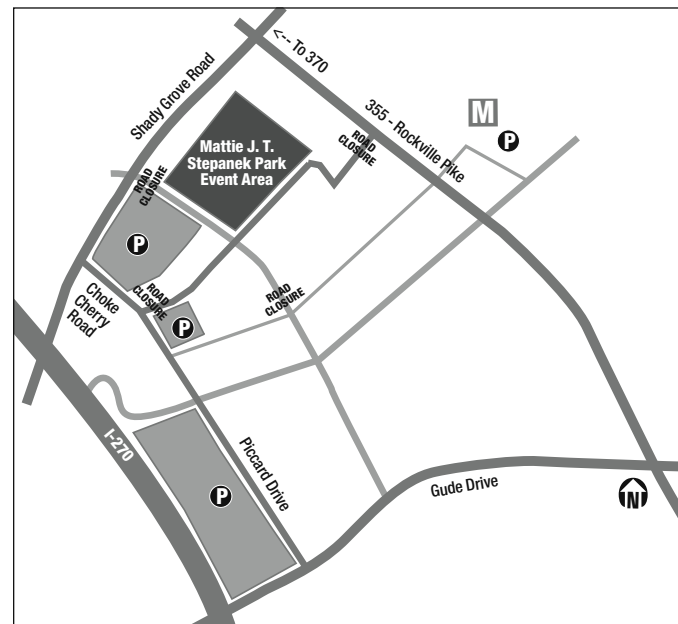
The event is from 7-10 p.m. on Saturday, July 4 (rain date: Sunday, July 5) at the park, at 1800 Piccard Drive. The schedule is:

- **7 p.m.:** Music begins on two stages with The Nighthawks, Fugitive Brass Band and Rockville Concert Band performing.
- **8:45 p.m.:** Welcome from the Mayor and Council and the national anthem, followed by more live music.
- **9:15 p.m.:** A 20-minute-long fireworks display begins.

This is the first year

Rockville's July Fourth celebration will be held at the 26-acre Mattie J.T. Stepanek Park in King Farm after being held at the Montgomery College-Rockville campus for many years. The new location includes free, easy access and ample parking (with convenient exits) within a short walk of the fireworks viewing areas.

Parking will be available in lots bordered by Shady Grove Road, Gaither Road, Choke Cherry Road and Piccard Drive, near the park. Several road closures are planned, and will encourage visitors to exit onto main roads such as Route 355 and Shady Grove Road. Rockville police will guide traffic to and from the designated lots before and af-



Rockville's celebration of Independence Day has moved to King Farm.

ter the event.

Learn more about parking and find general information at [www.rockville](http://www.rockville)

[md.gov/independenceday](http://md.gov/independenceday). Questions? Email [special\\_events@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:special_events@rockvillemd.gov) or call 240-314-8620. ❖

## Street Paving and Sidewalk Repairs Continue Throughout the Summer

The City of Rockville is repaving nearly 90 street segments and repairing concrete on more than 30 sidewalk segments this spring and summer.

Resurfacing will occur in the following neighborhoods through September: Broadwood Manor, Croydon Park, King Farm, Maryvale, Hungerford Towne, Potomac Woods, Rockshire, West End Park and Woodley Gardens.

Repair to sidewalk concrete will occur in the following neighborhoods: Halpine Village, Hungerford Towne, Lincoln Park, Maryvale, Rockland, Rockshire, West End Park and Woodley Gardens.

Rockville streets are evaluated and maintained through the asphalt maintenance program, which is funded annually through the city's Capital Improvements Program. Rockville repaves streets to create a smoother drive for motorists and to preserve the integrity of roads.

Normal work hours for repaving will be Monday through Friday, 7 a.m.-5 p.m. on secondary streets and 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on major streets. "No Parking" signs will be posted within 48



hours of the start of work. Temporary traffic stoppages are necessary for safety, but should have minimal impact on traffic. The schedule is subject to change based on weather conditions and coordination with other utility work.

Visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/transportationprojects](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/transportationprojects) and select "Asphalt Paving" to see the latest paving schedule, or contact Dan Stevens at 240-314-8552 or [dstevens@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:dstevens@rockvillemd.gov).

To learn about Rockville's prioritization policy for constructing new sidewalks, including a map of sidewalk project priorities and forms for petitioning to have new sidewalks constructed, visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/sidewalks](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/sidewalks).

Learn more about city transportation projects at [www.rockvillemd.gov/transportationprojects](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/transportationprojects). ❖



Rockville students' recycling posters raise awareness.

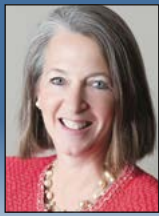
## Students Bring Recycling Messages to Posters

Members of Rockville's Environment Commission brought presentations about the importance of recycling to students in the city's mentoring program in March. Following the presentations, 56 students created posters designed to raise awareness about the recycling tips and trivia they learned. The top posters from each mentoring site, as voted by students, were submitted to the Environment Commission, which selected the contest winner. The winning poster, shown above, by a Ritchie Park Elementary School fifth-grader named Carrie (last name withheld due to program confidentiality), will be featured in Rockville's recycling outreach materials. Posters by the site winners were fea-

tured on the city's Facebook page as part of Earth Month in April.

The city's mentoring program matches adults or high school students with elementary school students. Mentors meet with students one-on-one for one hour a week from October through May, offering homework help, playing games, doing crafts and providing conversation. Learn more about the program at [www.rockvillemd.gov/residents/ncs/mentoring](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/residents/ncs/mentoring). Find more information about the Environment Commission at [www.rockvillemd.gov/index.aspx?nid=106](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/index.aspx?nid=106) and about city recycling services at [www.rockvillemd.gov/recycling-refuse](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/recycling-refuse). ❖

# Mayor & Council



Mayor  
Bridget Donnell Newton



Councilmember  
Beryl L. Feinberg



Councilmember  
Tom Moore



Councilmember  
Virginia D. Onley



Councilmember  
Julie Palakovich Carr

## General Assembly Approves Money for Rockville Roads, County Schools

### *New Law Calls for County to Defray Stormwater Costs*

Rockville saw several wins during the 2015 Maryland General Assembly session that concluded April 13, including \$1.3 million in additional highway user revenue for transportation projects and the creation of a grant program to provide increased state aid for school construction.

The one-time highway user revenue is \$200,000 more than the city received in Fiscal Year 2015, which ends June 30. Municipalities are required to use the state aid for road maintenance and small infrastructure improvement projects. While this is the third consecutive year the state provided a one-time restoration of the aid, the city's long-term goal, of permanent restoration back to pre-recession levels, was not addressed.

The school construction legislation requires the governor to provide \$20 million annually in extra state aid to be shared by school systems where enrollment growth exceeds 150 percent of the statewide average over the past five years or where there is an average of at least 300 portable classrooms over the past five years. Montgomery County is one of five counties eligible for the extra funding in Fiscal Year 2016 and will receive \$5.9 million. Under the grant program, the county must match a portion of the state aid.

The legislature also approved a change in state law that makes it clear that local legislative bodies have more than 60 days to review master plans submitted by a planning body, have final authority to amend any master plan submitted and have remand authority over the entirety, or portions, of the proposed plan.

Other city priorities supported by the General Assembly included the defeat of a bill that would have changed the state ethics law regarding financial disclosure requirements for municipal elected officials and changes to stormwater management fee programs that leave the city's fee and program intact.

The changes call for counties that own property within a municipality to come to an agreement with the municipality by year's end on "an amount that is sufficient to defray the municipality's cost of providing stormwater pollution control services to county property."

In the capital budget, Rockville will receive \$175,000 in state aid toward improvements to make the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre parking lot accessible to individuals with mobility needs.

For more details on these state legislative priorities, contact Linda Moran at [lmoran@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:lmoran@rockvillemd.gov) or 240-314-8115. ✚

## Rockville Takes its Federal Priorities to Capitol Hill

Each year, Rockville seeks federal funding for the city's capital improvements projects and support for its policy priorities.

Mayor Bridget Donnell Newton, City Manager Barb Matthews and Assistant to the City Manager Linda Moran brought the following priorities, approved by the Mayor and Council, to a meeting on April 23 with the city's congressional delegation in Washington, D.C.:

- Bridge rehabilitation: A \$2.9 million request to help fund bridge inspections and a portion of high-priority bridge repair projects.
- Sanitary sewer system improvements: A \$700,000 request to support sanitary sewer rehabilitation or replacement, including manhole rehabilitation, sewer line installation, and repair or replacement of pipes and manholes.
- Stormwater system renovation: A \$4.5 million request to help fund stormwater management program studies and designs, stormwater management facility construction, stream restoration and storm drain conveyance projects to help the city meet stormwater permit obligations set by the Maryland Department of the Environment. The city also updated the delegation on recent legislation passed by the Maryland General Assembly that requires counties to come to agreements with municipalities by year's end on "an amount that is sufficient to defray the municipality's cost of providing stormwater pollution

control services to county property."

- Maryland and Dawson avenues extensions: Rockville hopes to apply for a grant request toward the \$12 million cost to design and construct extensions of Maryland and Dawson avenues to support the second phase of Town Center development, pending congressional approval of a grant program for federal Fiscal Year 2016, which begins Oct. 1.
- Community Development Block Grant: A request that this federal grant funding, which has been cut significantly in recent years, not be further reduced. The city puts the funding toward housing rehabilitation for low-income homeowners and other low- and moderate-income housing.
- Community Oriented Policing Services Hiring grant: A request, through the federal grant program known as "COPS," to fund a police officer for a school liaison/resource position.

The city also updated the delegation on ongoing work on the draft "Rockville's Pike Plan" (read more on page 1) and on coordination between the city, state, county, Gaithersburg, Metro and others to ensure that planned county bus rapid transit service in Rockville is integrated with Metro and other transit service.

View the Mayor and Council's April 13 discussion of federal priorities at [www.rockvillemd.gov/videoondemand](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/videoondemand).

For details, contact Linda Moran at [lmoran@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:lmoran@rockvillemd.gov) or 240-314-8115. ✚

### IN BRIEF

#### Mayor and Council to Adopt FY 2016 Budget on May 18

The Mayor and Council are scheduled to hold a final work session on the proposed Fiscal Year 2016 during their regular meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 4.

The budget, which covers the fiscal year that begins July 1, is scheduled to be adopted by the Mayor and Council on May 18.

The public record for testimony on the proposed budget is now closed. The Mayor and Council held four public hearings on the budget throughout March and April.

City Manager Barb Matthews presented her proposed FY 2016 operating budget to the Mayor and Council on March 23. The proposed \$122.3 million budget is an increase of 3.6 percent over last year's total operating budget and recommended that the city's current real property tax rate of \$0.292 per \$100 of assessed valuation remain the same for FY16.

All budget work sessions are televised live on channel 11 on county cable systems, as part of the regular Mayor and Council meetings, held Mondays at 7 p.m. in the Mayor and Council Chambers at City Hall, 111 Maryland Ave.

Meeting coverage is available via live streaming at [www.rockvillemd.gov/rockville11](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/rockville11) and available on demand within two days of the meeting date at [www.rockvillemd.gov/agendacenter](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/agendacenter).

For more information, visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/budget](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/budget) or call the Finance Department at 240-314-8400.

#### Rockville Public Safety Awards to Honor the City's First Responders

Members of the Rockville City Police Department, Rockville Volunteer Fire Department, Montgomery County Sheriff's Department and Montgomery County Department of Correction and Rehabilitation will be honored for their service to the community at the 26th annual Rockville Public Safety Awards on Wednesday, June 3 at Lakewood Country Club, 13901 Glen Mill Road.

Networking begins at 11:30 a.m. The luncheon begins at noon. Melissa Mollet, a Rockville resident and Emmy Award-winning reporter for NBC4's "News4 Today," will be this year's guest presenter.

Tickets are \$30 per person through May 27. After May 27, tickets are \$35 per person. Reserve a table for 10 with a table sign for \$300. Corporate sponsorship, including recognition and a table for 10, is \$550.

To register and pay online, or for a printable registration form, visit [www.rockvillechamber.org/events](http://www.rockvillechamber.org/events). Register by Wednesday, May 27.

The awards are sponsored by the Washington Rockville Elks Lodge No. 15, Rockville Kiwanis Club, Rockville Lions Club, Montgomery Cornerstone Masonic Lodge No. 195, Rockville Rotary Club and Montgomery County Crime Solvers, in cooperation with the City of Rockville and the Rockville Chamber of Commerce.

Since 1990, the awards have been presented to more than 400 members of Rockville's public safety agencies, civilians and K-9 partners.



**THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL HONORED A RESIDENT AND A BUSINESS WITH ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS ON APRIL 20...** *Kris Dighe received the Carl Henn Outstanding Individual Environmental Stewardship award in recognition of his leadership on the city's Environment Commission. Tri-State Ice Management LLC, which manages the outdoor ice rink at Rockville Town Square, received the Outstanding Leadership in Environmental Practices award for designing, testing and implementing methods to operate the rink in an innovative, energy-efficient manner.*

**REGISTER FOR CAMPS**

Register via [rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov](http://rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov) or in person at City Hall or any city recreation facility. Learn more at [www.rockvillemd.gov/camps](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/camps) or by calling 240-314-8620.



### Summer Camp Season Nears Limited Spaces Remain – Register Today!

With the end of the school year fast approaching, now is the time to get in on the fun of Rockville's summer camps.

Camps are open to Rockville residents and nonresidents, ages 3-16, with single and multi-week options available. The camp season runs from June 16-Aug. 21.

Bus transportation is available from neighborhood and community center bus stops. Limited spaces remain in a variety of camps.

Three, two-week sessions will run from June 16-July 24 at these camps, with openings:

- **Way Off Broadway** at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre (ages 8-12)
- **Pump House Pottery** at the Pump House Community Center (ages 8-12)
- **Science Camps** at College Gardens Elementary School: Explorers (ages 5-7) and Science Surrounds You (ages 8-12)
- **Field Trip Camps** based at Lakewood Elementary School: Campventures (ages 7-9) and Quest (ages 10-12)

These specialty camps are also taking registrations:

- **UK Elite Soccer** at Welsh Park (for ages 5-7 or 8-12)
- **Thriving Kids Yoga** at Thrive Yoga (ages 7-11)
- **Funfit Summer Adventure** at Thomas Farm Community Center (ages 3-5)
- **Robotics** at Twinbrook Community Recreation Center (for ages 8-10 or 11-14)
- **Hip-Hop and More** at Thomas Farm Community Center (ages 8-12)

Spaces also remain in extended-day camps, including Summer Blast (ages 5-11), Early Risers (before care) and Home Stretch (after care), all at College Gardens or Lakewood elementary schools.

Additional camps at Rockville's community centers are still taking registrations:

- **School's Out!** from June 16-19 at Lincoln Park Community Center (ages 5-13)
- **Reading, Writing and Cooking Camp** from July 6-10 and/or July 13-17 at Thomas Farm Community Center (ages 6-10)
- **Summer Literature Club** from July 6-31 at Twinbrook Community Recreation Center (ages 4-12)
- **Don't Forget About August** from Aug. 10-14 and/or Aug. 17-21 at Lincoln Park Community Center (ages 5-13)
- **Last Hurrah** from Aug. 17-21 at Twinbrook Community Recreation Center (ages 5-12)
- **Dance Moves!** (new session) from Aug. 17-21 at Thomas Farm Community Center (ages 6-10)

Kids will have a memorable summer at Rockville's high-quality, convenient and safe camps. Have a question? Email [camps@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:camps@rockvillemd.gov) and your message will be returned by the next business day.



# In The Community



**The annual Equipment Show, the highlight of Rockville's observance of National Public Works Week, offers kids – and kids at heart – the chance to climb aboard some of the big trucks used by the city's Department of Public Works.**

## Equipment Show Brings Out the Big Trucks for Public Works Week

Rockville will join the American Public Works Association (APWA) to celebrate National Public Works Week from Monday, May 18 through Friday, May 22.

The highlight of the week will be the annual Equipment Show from 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 21, at the outdoor pool parking lot at the Rockville Swim and Fitness Center, 355 Martins Lane. Kids – and kids at heart – will be able to climb into the operator's seat of some of the big trucks used by the city's Department of Public Works.

The free show includes balloons, popcorn, coloring books and other giveaways and the chance to meet some of the public works employees who provide important services that keep Rockville running.

APWA first sponsored National Public Works Week in 1960. Today, more than 28,000 APWA members in the U.S. and Canada use the week to energize and educate the public about the important contributions of public works, including planning, building, managing and operating infrastructure and services in our communities.

This year's Public Works Week theme is "Community Begins Here." The theme represents the idea that quality public works build the foundation for a community and support everyday quality of life.

To learn more about Rockville's Department of Public Works and its celebration of National Public Works Week, visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/publicworks](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/publicworks) or call 240-314-8500. ✚

## Building Safety Month Focuses on Safety and Energy-Efficiency *Proclamation Recognizes the Importance of Building Codes*

The City of Rockville is celebrating Building Safety Month in May as part of a national public safety campaign to raise awareness among families and businesses about what it takes to create safe, resilient, affordable and energy-efficient homes and buildings.

"When our building safety and fire prevention experts inspect buildings and review construction plans to ensure code compliance, they help to ensure the places where you live, learn, work, worship and play are safe," said Timothy Diehl, the city's plans and permit supervisor. "We work closely with homebuilders, contractors, plumbers, roofers and other construction industry trades to provide maximum public safety."

The Mayor and Council are scheduled to issue a proclamation on April 27 recognizing Building Safety Month. This year's theme is "Resilient Communities Start with Building Codes."

Homes and buildings that are built in compliance with building safety codes result in resilient structures that minimize the risks of death, injury and property damage. Resilient structures minimize the risk of property damage, which can result in property own-

ers paying lower insurance costs and millions of dollars in savings to taxpayers when rebuilding from natural disasters.

Based on building science, technical knowledge and past experience, model building codes provide protection from man-made and natural disasters, guarding public health and reducing property losses. The codes address all aspects of construction, from structural to fire prevention, plumbing and mechanical systems, and energy efficiency.

The International Code Council, a United States-based membership association, created Building Safety Month as a public service to promote safety in the built environment. Code Council members develop the international codes and standards used by most communities in the U.S. in the design, build and compliance process to construct safe, sustainable, affordable and resilient structures.

Learn more at [www.buildingsafetymonth.org](http://www.buildingsafetymonth.org) or [www.rockvillemd.gov/permitting](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/permitting) or visit the Inspection Services Division counter on the second floor of City Hall, at 111 Maryland Ave., where staff is available to answer questions. ✚

## Día Multicultural, Guía Recreativa de verano y el Twilight Runfest

Lo siguiente es un resumen de algunas de las noticias principales en esta edición de "Rockville Reports":

### La Tradición Twinbrook Celebra las Culturas de la Comunidad

El día Multicultural de Twinbrook es de 4 a 7 p.m. el sábado 16 de mayo en el Centro de Recreación de la Comunidad Twinbrook, en el 12920 Twinbrook Parkway. Se invita a los miembros de la comunidad a traer muestras y presentar actuaciones que resalten su cultura de origen. Para más información, contacte a Kelley Day al [kday@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:kday@rockvillemd.gov) o al 240-314-8833, o visite [www.rockvillemd.gov/twinbrook](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/twinbrook).

### La Feria de Equipos saca a relucir los Camiones Grandes

Rockville celebra la Semana Nacional de las Obras Públicas del lunes 18 de mayo al viernes 22 de mayo. El punto más destacado será el Espectáculo Anual de Equipo de 11 a.m. a 4:30 p.m. el jueves 21 de mayo en el lote de estacionamiento de la Alberca Exterior en el Rockville Swim and Fitness Center, en el 355 Martins Lane. Súbase al asiento del conductor de alguno de esos grandes camiones usados por el Departamento de Obras Públicas de la ciudad. Para aprender más, visite [www.rockvillemd.gov/publicworks](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/publicworks) o llame al 240-314-8500.

### Cierres por el Día Conmemorativo y el Calendario del Reciclaje y Desechos

El Ayuntamiento de la ciudad de Rockville y algunas instalaciones de la ciudad estarán cerradas el lunes 25 de mayo, en conmemoración del Día Conmemorativo. El reciclaje, desechos del jardín y desechos no serán recogidos el 25 de mayo, pero serán recogidos un día después a través de la semana. Para más información sobre horarios de recolección, llame al 240-314-8568 o visite [www.rockvillemd.gov/recycling-refuse](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/recycling-refuse).

### La Temporada de Recreación de Verano está aquí

La inscripción para los programas recreativos co-

mienza a mediados de mayo, incluyendo clases, campamentos, programas para personas de la tercera edad y del centro de natación. Eche un vistazo a la guía de recreación en [www.rockvillemd.gov/guide](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/guide), en el Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad y en las instalaciones de recreación de la ciudad o llame al 240-314-8620.

### El 30° Festival Anual de Twilight Runfest

La Ciudad de Rockville y el Club Rotario de Rockville van a celebrar el 30° Festival Anual de Rockville Twilight RunFest el sábado 18 de julio en Rockville Town Center. Obtenga más información en [www.rockvillemd.gov/twightrunfest](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/twightrunfest) o llame al 240-314-8620.

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**MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND**



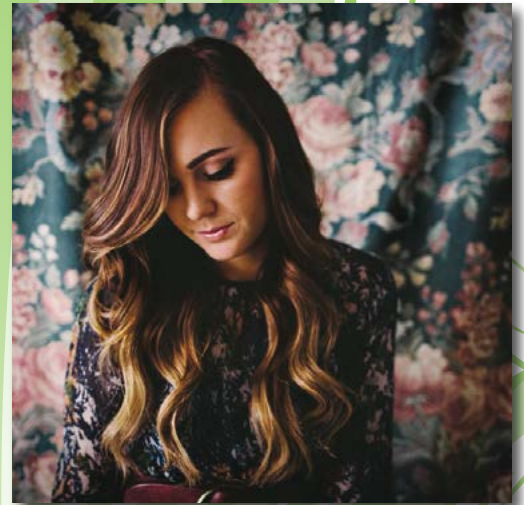
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## 2015 HOMETOWN HOLIDAYS ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

STAGE	TIME	SATURDAY, MAY 23	SUNDAY, MAY 24
<b>BUD LIGHT BEACH</b> from 2 to 10 p.m.	2 - 3:30 p.m.	King Soul	The Fishermen Band
	4 - 5:30 p.m.	Kelly Bell Band	Fiction 20 Down
	6:30 - 8 p.m.	The Nighthawks	Shane Gamble
	8:30 - 10 p.m.	The Dirty Dozen Brass Band	Delta Rae
<b>HUNGERFORD'S TAVERN</b> from 2 to 9:30 p.m.	2 - 3:30 p.m.	The Muddy Crows	South Rail
	4 - 5:30 p.m.	Lindsey Buckingham Palace	Driven to Clarity
	6 - 7:30 p.m.	Christian Lopez Band	The Shack Band
	8 - 9:30 p.m.	Icewagon FLU	La Unica
<b>NLCS MARYLAND AVENUE</b> from 2:30 to 10 p.m.	2:30 - 4 p.m.	Emily Hearn	Throwing Wrenches
	4:30 - 6 p.m.	M.H. & His Orchestra	Sweet Leda
	6:30 - 8 p.m.	The O's	Lloyd Dobler Effect
	8:30 - 10 p.m.	Folk Soul Revival	Jah Works
<b>TOWN SQUARE</b> from 2:30 to 10 p.m.	2 - 3 p.m.	Wootton Acapella	Victorian Lyric Opera Company
	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	RTC Dancers	RTC Dancers
	5 - 5:45 p.m.	Here Comes Trouble	Reptiles Alive
	6:15 - 7 p.m.	Bach 2 Rock	FOCUS
	7:30 - 8 p.m.	Bach 2 Rock	Rockville Evergreen

Schedule and times subject to change.

## 'HTH: All Access' Gives a Sneak Peek of Music Fest

Rockville 11's new special, "HTH: All Access," features interviews and exclusive performances, giving fans and visitors a preview of the music lined up for this year's Hometown Holidays festival. Watch "All Access" on the city's YouTube channel at [www.youtube.com/cityofrockville](http://www.youtube.com/cityofrockville).

Bands featured in "All Access" include South Rail, Throwing Wrenches, Kelly Bell Band, The Nighthawks and Fiction 20 Down.

# SATURDAY, MAY 23 AND SUNDAY, MAY 24 2-10 P.M.

## ROCKVILLE TOWN CENTER

2015

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Start your summer off with a Rockville tradition this Memorial Day weekend, as entertainers from around the country descend on Rockville for the city's 27th annual Hometown Holidays.

The festival will feature performances by more than 30 groups on four stages on Saturday, May 23 and Sunday, May 24. Visitors will enjoy blues, rock, reggae, folk, Americana, Irish, pop and country music throughout the festival.

Organizers are also preparing for the Taste of Rockville, featuring food from local restaurants, kids amusements (including the return of "the beach" sand pile) and the 71st annual Memorial Day Ceremony and Parade on Monday, May 25.

Learn more at:  
[www.rockvillemd.gov/hth](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/hth).

**NEW THIS YEAR**  
HTH accepts cash and credit cards at all beverage booths.

### HTH Highlights

#### Taste of Rockville • noon-10 p.m.

Tickets: \$1.25, sponsored by and benefitting the Rockville Chamber of Commerce and Community Ministries of Rockville. Taste of Rockville is located along Maryland Avenue and Courthouse Square. Tickets can be purchased at a Taste of Rockville ticket booth.

Enjoy tastes from: American Tap Room, Armand's Pizzeria & Grille, The Bean Bag Deli & Catering Co., Bonchon Chicken, Buffalo Wild Wings, Dawson's Market, Ev & Maddy's, Island Pride Jamaican Restaurant, La Tasca Mediterranean Café, Matt's House of Kabob, Miller's Rockville Ale House, Nantucket's Reef, Paladar Latin Kitchen & Rum Bar, Pinch, Potomac Pizza, Quench, Rocklands Barbeque and Grilling Company, Savvy Treats, Spice Xing, Sushi Oishii, and The Woodside Deli.

#### Community Partners • 2-8 p.m.

Stop by the Community Partners area along East Montgomery Avenue and

visit with organizations that are doing great work in our community.

#### Kids Activities • 2-10 p.m.

Enjoy activities for children of all ages. Amusements are located in the parking lot at East Montgomery Avenue and Monroe Street. Kids amusements are provided by Rockville-based Talk of the Town. Fee for activities.

#### Kids Performances

Don't miss a variety of kid-friendly performances throughout the weekend on the Town Square Stage on Maryland Avenue in the heart of Town Center. Enjoy dance performances, a live reptile show, singers and more.

#### Hometown Holidays Mug

Makes a great souvenir! Purchase your HTH mug at any beverage booth and your first beer is included. Mugs are \$10.



#### The Beach

Build a sand castle with your little ones or enjoy a drink with your feet in the sand at the beach, located near the Bud Light Beach Stage.

#### City of Rockville Booth

Visit the City of Rockville booth for giveaways and information about city programs and services.

#### Screening of "Carbon Nation," Saturday • 3-4:30 p.m. • Library

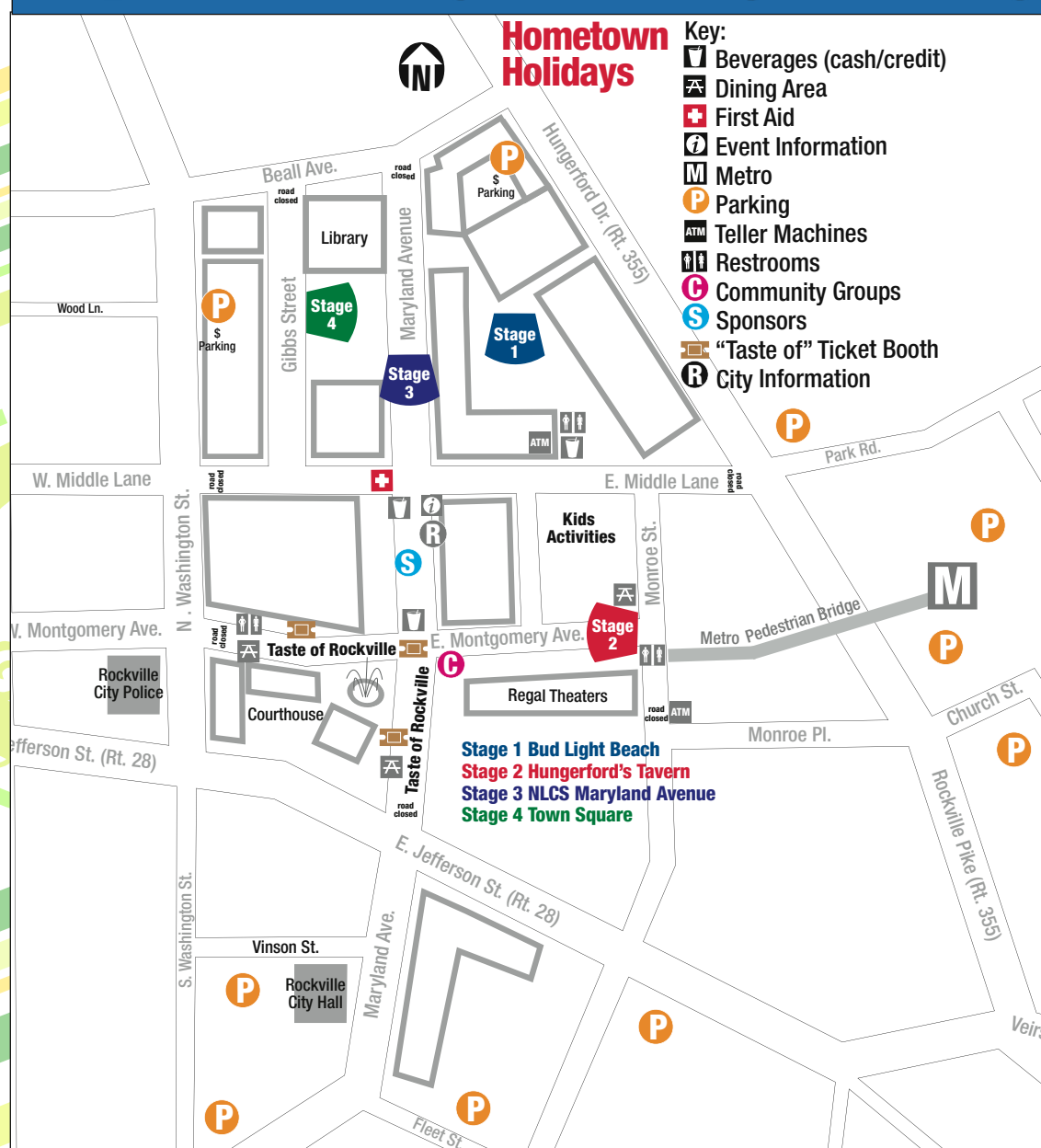
"Carbon Nation" is a film about solutions, not problems. This award-winning, non-partisan documentary illustrates how solutions to climate change also address other social, economic and national security issues, providing a range of viewpoints on the subject.

#### Rockville Environment Commission

Test your knowledge about city recycling, learn about watersheds, city sustainability and energy-efficient actions, and learn how much solar energy your home can generate.

# HOMETOWN HOLIDAYS MUSIC FEST HTH

## HTH Site Map for Saturday and Sunday



# 71st MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY AND PARADE

Monday, May 25 • Rockville Town Center



## 9 a.m. • ROCKVILLE CONCERT BAND AND CHORUS

The City of Rockville-supported, all-volunteer band, directed by John Saint Amour, and the Rockville Community Chorus will perform a musical tribute to America before and during the Memorial Day ceremony.

## 9:30 a.m. • MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

The ceremony in the plaza at Rockville Town Square includes music by the Rockville Concert Band and the Rockville Chorus, the traditional wreath laying led by American Legion Post 86, and a 21-gun salute and presentation of colors by American Legion Post 86 Color Guard and Rockville City Police Department Honor Guard.

Participants include American Legion Post 86, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 86; American Legion Post 171; Disabled American Veterans, Chapter 12; Anwar Temple 219; Fleet Reserve Association, Triangle Branch 182; Washington-Rockville Elks Lodge 15; Prince Hall Shriners; Anwar Temple 219; Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 641; POW Association; Capitol Base Submarine Veterans; Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Antietam Camp 3; Members of the Wood Family; and Rockville Sister City Corporation.

## 10:30 a.m. • 71st MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Following the ceremony, the parade proceeds from Martins Lane and North Washington Street, turning left on Beall Avenue, turning down Maryland Avenue through Rockville Town Center and making a left on East Montgomery Avenue. The parade has something for everyone with drill teams, marching bands, community groups, military units, multicultural groups and more!

## Emcee: BRIAN VAN DE GRAAFF

Brian Van De Graaff, the main weathercaster on weekday mornings for ABC7/WJLA and News Channel 8, will be the parade's emcee. He also provides daily forecasts for Washington's No. 1-rated morning drive program on WTOP-FM and has earned the American Meteorological Society's prestigious Seal of Approval.



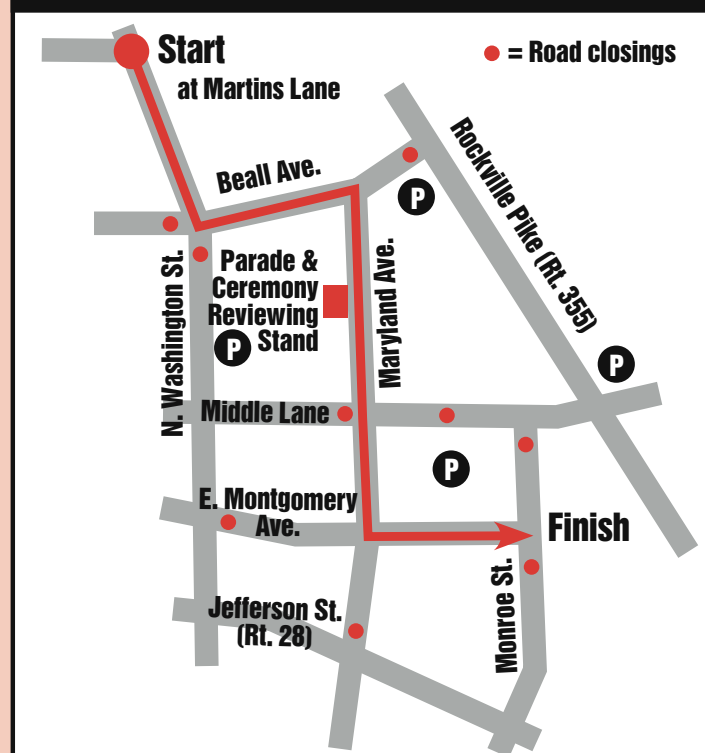
## Grand Marshall: CPL. JEFF KING, USMC (RET.)

Jeff King was born in Washington, D.C. and grew up in Rockville. He is a 2003 graduate of Richard Montgomery High School and received his bachelor's degree from Guilford College in 2007. He



enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 2008 and served in the 2nd Marine Division as an infantry rifleman and radio operator. He deployed to Helmand Province, Afghanistan in 2010 and again in 2011. King was wounded during a foot patrol in Sangin District in September 2011. He completed physical therapy and rehabilitation at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, medically retiring from the Marine Corps in 2013. His awards include the Purple Heart, Combat Action Ribbon, the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal and the Afghanistan Campaign Medal. King earned his master's degree in May 2015 at the University of Maryland School of Social Work. He completed his field placement internship at the Baltimore Veterans Affairs Medical Center, where he provided counseling and behavioral health services to veterans. King considered this opportunity a tremendous honor and is looking forward to continuing his career as a social worker.

## Parade Route



## General Information

- Bring beach chairs/blankets to ensure comfortable seating. Be considerate so that those around you can see the show, too.
- For your safety, no glass containers or animals (other than service animals) should be brought to Hometown Holidays.
- No chairs or blankets allowed within 100 feet of the stage.
- For safety reasons, bikes, skateboards and inline skates are not permitted to be ridden in the event area.
- Video and audio recorders and cameras are prohibited during evening concerts.
- Most events will take place rain or shine. In case of inclement weather, cancellations will be posted at [www.rockvillemd.gov](http://www.rockvillemd.gov).

**Assistance Needed:** Rockville strives to provide access to all

programs and services, regardless of disability. Contact the ADA Coordinator at 240-314-8100, TDD 240-314-8137 with questions regarding access to Hometown Holidays. Rockville will offer sign language interpreters for Monday's Memorial Day ceremony and parade.

## Getting to Hometown Holidays

**By Public Transit:** Take Metro's Red Line to the Rockville station. Exit on the Rockville Pike side, and follow the sounds of music across the street to Middle Lane. MARC train service will not be running Memorial Day weekend.

### By Car:

- The festival is located in Rockville Town Center.
- From I-270, take either exit 5 or exit 6 and head east into Rockville. Follow signs for parking.
- From Route 355/Rockville Pike, going north into Rockville, turn left onto

Route 28 and follow signs for parking.

- From upcounty using Route 355/Rockville Pike, drive south into Rockville and use the parking garage located off Route 355/Rockville Pike, or turn right onto Route 28 and follow signs for parking.

**Parking:** Free parking is available at the Council Office Building on Fleet Street, Metro lots, City Hall lots and the lots north of Beall Avenue.

**Paid parking** is available for \$5 in the Rockville Town Square garage located off of Route 355 or North Washington Street from 11 a.m.-8 p.m. on Saturday, May 23 and Sunday, May 24, and 7 a.m.-1 p.m. on Monday, May 25. Cash and credit accepted. Regular Town Square parking rates apply all other times.

**By Bike:** Rockville is a bike-friendly community, with several Capital Bikeshare stations, including one at Maryland and East Montgomery avenues.

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## FACILITIES ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS

- **Glenview Mansion Art Gallery** **GM**, Rockville Civic Center Park, 603 Edmonston Drive.
- **F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre** **FSF**, Rockville Civic Center Park, 603 Edmonston Drive.
- **Croydon Creek Nature Center** **CC**, Rockville Civic Center Park, 852 Avery Road. Note: Registration is required, register at [www.rockvillemd.gov](http://www.rockvillemd.gov) or call 240-314-8770.
- **Rockville Senior Center** **SR**, 1150 Carnation Drive. Call 240-314-8800.
- **Rockville City Hall** **CH**, 111 Maryland Ave. Call 240-314-5000.



### REGISTRATION INFO

Rockville offers a variety of classes and programs each season. Register via [rock-enroll.rockvillemd.gov](http://rock-enroll.rockvillemd.gov) or in person at City Hall or Rockville recreation facilities. Find something that interests you at [www.rockvillemd.gov/guide](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/guide).

## MAY

**1,2,3 "To Kill a Mockingbird"** presented by **Rockville Little Theatre** Show times are 8 p.m. on May 1 and 2, and 2 p.m. on May 3. **FSF**

**2 National Homebrew Day Beer Tasting Campfire** In celebration of National Homebrew Day, taste beer varieties made here in the DMV. Ages: 21+. Register for course #51072. All participants must register in advance. Spaces are limited. 8-9 p.m. **CC**

**2 Tour de Cookie** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Johns Hopkins University-Montgomery County Campus. See article on page 9.

**2 Royal Tea Party** Toddlers ages 2 and older and their royal families are invited. Dress in your finest royalty attire. Royal games and activities. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Fee applies to each person attending. 2-4 p.m. Thomas Farm Community Center, 700 Falls Grove Drive.

**2 Rockville Seniors, Inc. Spring Bazaar** Craft show, bake sale, raffles, prizes and more! Free entry. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. **SR**

**2,3 A-RTS @ Rockville Town Square** 175 master artisans sell original work at every price point. May 2 from 11 a.m.-6 p.m.; May 3 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Rockville Town Square.

**2,3 Open Water Swim** Test out your wet suit and practice your open water skills in the outdoor 50-meter fitness

# May/June Calendar

R = Residents • NR = Nonresidents • MEM = Member • NM = Non Member

pool. Lane lines will be removed so swimmers can practice pack swimming, sighting and drafting in a non-competitive atmosphere. visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/swimcenter](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/swimcenter). 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Rockville Swim and Fitness Center, 355 Martins Lane

**3 Bike Month Kickoff Ride** 10-11:30 a.m. See article on page 9. **CH**

**3 Art Gallery Opening** Reception and Sunday Afternoon Concert. Rockville Art League Juried Members' Show. The Rockville Singers entertain. Exhibition runs through May 29. 1:30-3:30 p.m. **GM**

**5 Rockville Solar Co-op Information Meeting** By going solar together participants save up to 25 percent on the cost of a solar system. This is a unique opportunity to go solar, get a discount, and be part of the growing solar movement! 7-9 p.m. **CH**

**9 Rockville 2040 Kickoff** Rockville is embarking on an update to its Comprehensive Master Plan, which will guide the city's land use policies and investments in open space, roads and community facilities from now through 2040. The city wants your vision to be part of Rockville's future. Join community members and city leaders at a kickoff event. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. VisArts-Buchanan Room, 155 Gibbs St. in Rockville Town Square.

**9 Signs of Spring Campfire** Enjoy a nighttime hike into the forest and time around the campfire, with a treat! All ages. Register for course #51067. All participants, including adults, must register in advance. Spaces limited. 8-9 p.m. **CC**

**12 Bike Commute Basics Happy Hour** 5:30-7 p.m. Dawson's Market, 225 N. Washington St. See article on page 9.

**15 Bike to Work Day** Join over 10,000 bicyclists as they celebrate getting to work by bike. Rockville has multiple pit stops to get a bite to eat or coffee, pick up bike information and maybe win a bicycle! 6-9:30 a.m. See article on page 9.

**16 Kids to Parks Day** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. See article on page 10. **CC**

**16 Yoga - In Our City** Join us outside for these beginner yoga classes. All ages welcome. Sign up for course #50647. Bring a mat and water bottle. Check weather status at 240-314-5023. 9-10 a.m. at the King Farm Farmstead.

**16 Off-Leash Testing** Visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/offleash](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/offleash) for details. 10 a.m. 355 Martins Lane.

**16 Twinbrook Multicultural Day** 4-7 p.m. Twinbrook Community Recreation Center, 12920 Twinbrook Parkway. See article on page 1.

**16 Saturday Story and Hike** Enjoy story time and a hike. Dress for the weather. Adult participation is required. Register for course #51075. 10-11 a.m. **CC**

**16,23,30 Saturday Farmers Market** Get your pick of fruits and vegetables as they become available throughout the season. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Jury parking lot at the corner of Route 28 and Monroe Street.

**17 Family Ramble: Plant Walk** Take a botanical stroll with a naturalist through the Hayes Forest Preserve. Trails are not stroller-friendly. All participants must register, including adults. Register for #51077. 1:30-2:30 p.m. **CC**

**17 Rabies Clinic** 8-10:30 a.m. Montgomery County Animal Services and Adoption Center, 7315 Muncaster Mill Road Derwood.

**17 Bike Donation Drop-off** Bikes for the World Bikes for the World is a nonprofit that refurbishes unwanted bicycles and gives them to people in need at home and across the world. Donate bikes of any size and shape. Donations are tax-deductible. This is also the bike giveaway for the Terrific Bikes program. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. King Farm Farmstead, 1101 Grand Champion Drive.

**19 Summer Trip Registration Lottery** 10:15 a.m. in the Carnation Room. Trips include: Wolf Trap for "Sinatra Sings Sinatra," "South Pacific" at Al-lenberry Playhouse, a crab feast at Fisherman's on Kent Island and a scenic cruise from Annapolis. **SR**

**20 Ride of Silence** 7 p.m. Rockville Town Square. See article on page 9.

**21 Nature Tots: Bees** A naturalist will help you explore the topic through nature play, crafts, stories and hikes. Dress for the weather. Adult participation is required. Preregistration strongly recommended. Register for course #51063. 10-11:30 a.m. **CC**

**21 Equipment Show** 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. See article on page 4.



**23 Outdoor Recreation Pool** Opens for Memorial Day weekend! Noon-9 p.m. Rockville Swim and Fitness Center, 355 Martins Lane.

**23,24 Hometown Holidays** Join us Memorial Day weekend for the 27th Annual Hometown Holidays music festival. The event features more than 30 live performances on four stages, the Taste of Rockville and kids activities. 2-10 p.m. Rockville Town Center.

**25 71st Memorial Day Ceremony and Parade** Watch more than 70 parade units, including marching bands, drill and majorette units, floats and more! 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Rockville Town Center.

**27 Senior Center Health Fair** Free health screenings, healthy snacks and more. 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. **SR**

**30 Nature Tots: Hummingbirds** A naturalist will explore the topic through nature play, crafts, stories and hikes. Dress for the weather. Adult participation is required. Preregistration strongly recommended. Register for course #51064. 10-11:30 a.m. **CC**

**30 Green Your Backyard Information Session** Learn about city programs designed to help you green your backyard and reduce pollution. Registration is required. To register, call 240-314-8877 or email [rainscapes@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:rainscapes@rockvillemd.gov) with your name, phone number and address. FREE. 1-2:30 p.m. **CC**

## JUNE

**2 Tuesday Evening Bike Rides** Join the Rockville Bicycle Advisory Committee for an hour-long neighborhood bike ride. Routes are on paved, shared-use paths, sidewalks, and some short sections of quiet streets. Suitable for families. Riders under 12 are welcome if accompanied by an adult. Rain at the start cancels the ride; wet pavement does not. 6:30 p.m. Mattie J.T. Stepanek Park, 1800 Piccard Drive.

**5 Outdoor Movie Night** Lay out a blanket and enjoy a family-friendly movie on a large inflatable movie screen. 8-9:30 p.m. Twinbrook Community Recreation Center, 12920 Twinbrook Parkway.

**7 Art Gallery Opening** Reception and Sunday Afternoon Concert. Exhibition runs through June 26. See article on page 11. **GM**

**6,13,20,27 Saturday Farmers Market** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Jury parking lot at Route 28 and Monroe Street.

**6,13 Yoga - In Our City** Join us outside for these beginner yoga classes. All ages welcome. Register for activity #51151. Bring a mat and water bottle. Check weather status at 240-314-5023. 9-10 a.m. Rockville Town Square.



**6 InstaHunt at Croydon Creek** Join an Instagram scavenger hunt. Meet at the nature center to get a list of target photos and then head into the woods to practice your Instagramming skills. 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. **CC**

**7 Family Ramble: Salamander Crawl** Search for salamanders in the forest and creek with a naturalist. Wear closed-toe shoes. All participants must register, including adults. Register for course #51078. 1:30-2:30 p.m. **CC**

**11 Nature Tots: Butterflies** A naturalist will help explore the topic through nature play, crafts, stories and hikes. Dress for the weather. Adult participation is required. Preregistration is recommended. Register for course #51065. 10-11:30 a.m. **CC**

**11 Dance Party** 1:30-3 p.m. Have a blast with aerobic and Zumba dancing to music. Light refreshments will be served. Cost: \$5 for center members / \$7 for Rockville resident non-members / \$9 for nonresident nonmembers. Course #51991. **SR**

**12 International Day: A Celebration of Cultures** Displays, costumes, tastings and dance performances! 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. **SR**

**14 Ride the Rockville Bike Beltway** Ride the Carl Henn Millennium Trail with your family and friends. This shared-use path is a 10.6-mile loop around the center of Rockville. Rain at the start cancels the ride; wet pavement does not. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. **SR**

**20 Saturday Story and Hike** Stop by the nature center for story time and a hike. Dress for the weather. Adult participation is required. Register for course #51076. 10-11 a.m. **CC**

**20 Kidical Mass Family Bike Ride** Kidical Mass is a nationwide movement to get kids with their families out on bikes in their communities. Ride will be at the pace of the slowest rider, and will use a combination of shared-use paths, bike lanes, and low-traffic residential streets. 10-11:30 a.m. Thomas Farm Community Center, 700 Falls Grove Drive.

**21 Rabies Clinic** 8-10:30 a.m. Montgomery County Animal Services and Adoption Center, 7315 Muncaster Mill Road, Derwood.

## Boards and Commissions

Meetings are held at City Hall, 111 Maryland Ave., unless otherwise noted. Please check the City website for the latest on cancellations, rescheduling and contact information at [www.rockvillemd.gov/boardscommissions](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/boardscommissions).

**May 6, June 3 Rockville Bicycle Advisory Committee** 7 p.m. Meets the first Wednesday of the month.

For the most up-to-date event listings visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/thisweek](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/thisweek) and sign up for the weekly email newsletter.

**May 7, June 4 Environment Commission** 7:30 p.m. Meets the first Thursday of the month.

**May 9, June 13 Board of Appeals** 9 a.m. Meets the second Saturday of the month and is televised on Rockville 11.

**May 12, June 9 Human Services Advisory Commission** 7:30 p.m. Meets the second Tuesday of the month.

**May 13&27, June 10&24 Planning Commission** 7 p.m. Meets the second and fourth Wednesday of the month and is televised on Rockville 11.

**May 13, June 10 Cultural Arts Commission** 7 p.m. Meets the second Wednesday of the month.

**May 19, June 16 Rockville Seniors Inc.** 1 p.m. Meets the third Tuesday of the month at the Rockville Senior Center, 1150 Carnation Drive.

**May 21, June 18 Senior Citizens Commission** 1 p.m. Meets the third Thursday of the month at the Rockville Senior Center, 1150 Carnation Dr.

**May 21, June 18 Historic District Commission** 7:30 p.m. Meets the third Thursday of the month.

**May 26, June 23 Traffic and Transportation Commission** 7:30 p.m. Meets the fourth Tuesday of the month.

**May 27, June 24 Rockville Housing Enterprises** 6:30 p.m. Meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at 621-A Southlawn Lane.

**May 27, June 24 Human Rights Commission** 7:30 p.m. Meets the fourth Wednesday of the month.

**May 21, June 25 Recreation and Park Advisory Board** 7 p.m.

## Vacancies

The City is seeking applicants for the following boards and commissions:

- Board of Supervisors of Elections (1)
- Compensation Commission (1)
- Financial Advisory Board (1)
- Historic District Commission (1; alternate)
- Human Rights Commission (2)
- Landlord Tenant Affairs Commission (2; alternate)
- Planning Commission (1)
- Rockville Housing Enterprises (1)
- Senior Citizens Commission (1)
- Rockville Sister City Corporation (1)
- Traffic and Transportation (2)

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# Month of May is...

## BIKE MONTH

### Get Rolling With Bike Month in May

Rockville celebrates Bike Month in May with rides for people of all ages, a happy hour offering information on bicycle commuting, a bike giveaway to Terrific Bikes program awardees and the annual Bike to Work Day.

■ **Tour de Cookie**  
*Saturday, May 2, 9 a.m.*  
*Johns Hopkins University—Montgomery County Campus, 9601 Medical Center Drive.*

A non-competitive bicycle ride between 10 cookie stands to benefit the Tree House Child Assessment Center of Montgomery County. Register at [www.tourdecookie.com](http://www.tourdecookie.com).

■ **Bike Month Kickoff Ride**  
*Sunday, May 3, 10 a.m.*  
*Rockville City Hall, 111 Maryland Ave.*

This 6- to 8-mile family ride starts and ends at City Hall, kicking off the 2015 bicycling season. Rain at the start

cancels the ride; wet pavement does not.

■ **Bike Commute Basics Happy Hour**  
*Tuesday, May 12, 5:30-7 p.m.*  
*Dawson's Market, 225 N. Washington St.*

Celebrate Bike to Work Week with a happy hour at Dawson's Market. The talk is targeted at those who are new to bicycle commuting or who want to brush up before Bike to Work Day. Come with questions and find someone who bikes your route. The talk begins at 6 p.m. and will include time for discussions.

■ **Bike Safety Checks by the Rockville Bicycle Advisory Committee**  
*Saturdays, beginning May 16, from 10 a.m.-noon. Rockville Farmers Market, (corner of Route 28 and Monroe Street).*

Make sure your bike is in good working order before

#### Bike to Work Day

*Friday May 15, 6-9 a.m.*  
*Pit stops throughout Rockville.*

Pit stops in Rockville Town Center, Falls Grove and Twinbrook. Rockville is competing for bragging rights with Frederick. Register at [www.biketoworkmetrodc.org](http://www.biketoworkmetrodc.org) to pick up a free T-shirt at one of the pit stops and help Rockville win. Remember to use #btwdmc on Instagram and Twitter.

taking it for a spin—especially if it's been in the garage all winter. Find tips for proper bicycling equipment and maintenance at [www.rockvillemd.gov/bicycling](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/bicycling).

■ **Terrific Bikes Awardee Bike Distribution**  
*Sunday, May 17, 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. at the King Farm Farmstead, 1101 Grand Champion Drive.*

Thirty-five Rockville students in grades 1-3 will

receive free, reconditioned bikes and helmets and a brief safety orientation from the Terrific Bikes program. The students became eligible to receive the bikes after completing six responsible acts, such as perfect school attendance or volunteering at a charitable organization. Bike donations for Bikes for the World will be accepted. Hosted by Bikes for the World's "Rockville Youth Bike Project." Learn more at [www.rockvillemd.gov/terrificbikes](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/terrificbikes).

■ **9th Annual Ride of Silence**  
*Wednesday, May 20, 7 p.m.*  
*Beginning at Rockville Library, 21 Maryland Ave. in Rockville Town Square.*

Cyclists worldwide honor those who have been injured or killed while bicycling. The free, 10-mile, hourlong ride is escorted by Rockville police, but is not recommended for children or slower cyclists. Learn more at [www.rideofsilence.org](http://www.rideofsilence.org).

Learn more at [www.rockvillemd.gov/bikemonth](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/bikemonth) and [www.rockvillemd.gov/bicycling](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/bicycling).

## OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

### City Celebrates Seniors with a Variety of Activities

The following are offered at the Rockville Senior Center, 1150 Carnation Drive:

■ **Senior Caregiver Support Group**  
*First Tuesday of the month (May 5 and June 2); 1-2:30 p.m.*

Are you a senior caring for your spouse, partner, parent, dependent adult child or other senior household member? This group will discuss the challenges of those who are in their senior years and continuing to provide care for loved ones. Course #50672; FREE.

■ **Women Living Alone**  
*First Thursday of the month (May 7 and June 4); 1-2:30 p.m.*

If you are a woman living alone, join us to share experiences and discuss strategies for improving the quality of our lives. Course #50676; FREE.

■ **Positive Aging**  
*Second Tuesday of the*

*month (May 12 and June 9); 1-2:30 p.m.*

This group will focus on how to maintain a positive outlook on life despite the physical, mental and emotional challenges that accompany aging. Course #50677; FREE.

■ **AARP Driver Safety**  
*Tuesday, May 12; 10 a.m.-3 p.m.*

Conducted by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) and designed for older drivers, this course provides updates on rules of the road and driving tips.

Register by May 1; Course #50697. Cost: FREE for senior center members/\$10 for non-members. A class fee of \$15 for AARP members (\$20 for non-AARP members) is due at the class by check or money order to AARP.

■ **Happiness: An Inside Job**  
*Thursday, May 28; 1-2 p.m.*

Learn helpful tips and practical approaches to re-



**Traditional dancers bring cheer to International Day at the Rockville Senior Center, see page 8.**

store happiness in life's smallest details with Cynthia London, a clinical social worker from Suburban Hospital. Course #51105; FREE.

■ **Finding a Happy Balance**  
*Thursday, June 25; 1-2 p.m.*

Every year, one in three adults age 65 and over experience an unexpected fall. Lynn Koenig, Suburban Hospital's physical therapy clinical coordinator, shares practical and useful changes that can be made at home and while on the move to avoid falls. Course #51056; FREE.

■ **Positive Aging Program**

The Rockville Senior Center's Positive Aging Program offers free individ-

ual counseling and informal support groups to address the unique challenges of aging. To make an appointment for one-on-one support, call 240-314-8810.

■ **Summer Recreation Programs**

Rockville's recreation programs have much to offer seniors, with classes and programs filling 15 pages in the city's summer recreation guide. The guide is available at [www.rockvillemd.gov/guide](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/guide) or pick up a copy at city facilities beginning Monday, May 4.

This summer, don't miss fitness and aquatics classes geared toward seniors, day trips and a variety of computer classes.

Registration opens to senior center members on Thursday, May 14 and to the general public on Tuesday, May 19. Most programs begin the week of June 15.

Register at [rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov](http://rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov) or in person at Rockville recreation facilities.

For more information on recreation programs, call 240-314-8620. See the May calendar on page 8 for other special events and opportunities. ❖

## IN BRIEF



### Map a Bike Ride in Rockville

Bike Month marks the debut of the City of Rockville's updated bike map, featuring bike lanes and information designed to help bicyclists find routes throughout Rockville.

The map includes the 13 Capital Bikeshare stations located in and around the city. Learn more about bikeshare below.

The map is available at city community centers, local libraries, City Hall and the Rockville Bicycle Advisory Committee table at the Rockville Farmers Market from May 16 through July. Learn more about the Farmers Market on page 12.

### Bike Rack Grants Available for Businesses

Bicycle parking means business. Studies show that businesses with bicycle parking near their storefront get a measurable sales boost.

Business owners who lack bicycle parking near their shop or office could qualify for a rack—provided and installed for free by the City of Rockville—under the city's Bike Rack Grant Program. Learn more about the program and find an application by visiting [www.rockvillemd.gov/bicycling](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/bicycling) and selecting "Bicycle Parking."

Residents interested in seeing bicycle parking at specific locations can direct business owners to the website.

For more information, contact Rockville's Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator at 240-314-8626 or [bikeways@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:bikeways@rockvillemd.gov).



### Bikesharing Helps Bicycle Commuting Expand in Rockville

Bike sharing—a service offering short-term bicycle rentals at stations in Rockville and the Washington, D.C. metropolitan region—is making non-motorized travel a reality for more and more riders. Month-to-month comparisons of bikeshare usage show an increase in ridership since the Capital Bikeshare program launched in October 2013 at 21 stations in the Rockville/Shady Grove/Life Sciences area, including in Rockville Town Center, King Farm, Falls Grove and the Shady Grove and Rockville Metro stations.

It's easy to purchase a short-term membership to try Capital Bikeshare, or to get a long-term membership to make bike sharing a regular way of traveling. Memberships can be used not only in the Rockville network, but at any Capital Bikeshare station in the D.C. metropolitan area. Memberships for one day (\$8) and three days (\$17) can be purchased using a credit card at a kiosk at any bikeshare station. One-month (\$28) and one-year (\$85) memberships can be purchased at [www.capitalbikeshare.com](http://www.capitalbikeshare.com).

Coupons for one free, daily membership or \$10 off an annual membership are available at City Hall, 111 Maryland Ave., and at city facilities. Free annual memberships are available for low-income Montgomery County residents who would like to use the bikes to get to work, school, or job training. Learn more at [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/bikeshare](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/bikeshare).

For more information on bikeshare, including a "how to" guide to using the network, visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/bikeshare](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/bikeshare).

## Try the Summer Playgrounds Program

The City of Rockville offers a great opportunity for kids to enjoy sports, arts and crafts, games, special events and nature activities throughout the summer in an affordable program.

The Summer Playgrounds program runs from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. on weekdays from June 22-July 30. The fee for the full six weeks is \$150 for Rockville residents and \$230 for nonresidents.

The supervised, drop-in recreation program is open to kids age 6-12 and will be held at 10 neighborhood locations throughout Rockville. Two locations, Elwood Smith Community Center and Twinbrook Elementary School, have an option of extended hours for children registered for the program at those locations. The extended hours are 8-9:30 a.m. and 3:30-6 p.m.

Dedicated, fun and creative staff have years of experience and provide a great time for kids. The program offers children a chance to hang out with neighborhood friends or make new ones.

Trips and activities are available to program registrants as optional add-ons for a nominal fee. They include swimming, tennis, mini-golf or a field trip to Adventure Park USA in New Market.

Summer Playgrounds information is in the spring recreation guide at [www.rockvillemd.gov/guide](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/guide). Register at [rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov](http://rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov) or in person at City Hall or Rockville recreation facilities.

Learn more at [www.rockvillemd.gov/summerplaygrounds](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/summerplaygrounds) or by calling 240-314-8620.

## Tennis Tournament Series Returns to Rockville

Rockville hosts youth and adult tennis tournaments this summer and fall for players of all skill levels.

Youth and adult United States Tennis Association (USTA)-sanctioned tournaments will be held at outdoor tennis courts in Rockville.

The youth tournaments use kid-sized courts, nets, rackets and low-compression balls and will be held:

- Saturday, June 6 and Saturday, Sept. 26 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Open to ages 9-10. Cost: \$28 for Rockville residents/\$33 nonresidents.
- Saturday, June 13 and Saturday, Aug. 22 from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Open to ages 11-12. Cost: \$33 for Rockville residents/\$38 nonresidents.

The adult, single-elimination tennis tournament will be held 8 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12-13. The tournament is open to adults with current USTA memberships for singles play only. Cost: \$33 for Rockville residents/\$38 nonresidents.

To register, visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/recreation/sports](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/recreation/sports) or call 240-314-8620.

## Artists Invited to Submit Entries for 'Sculpture On The Grounds'

Rockville's annual Sculpture on the Grounds exhibition showcases large-scale sculptures in a free, outdoor display at Rockville Civic Center Park.

Artists may submit entries to be considered for the exhibition through Friday, May 15. The annual show opens on July 1 and runs through Oct. 18.

Sculpture on the Grounds is part of Rockville's Art In Public Places Program, which enhances the city's physical environment by requiring a portion of Rockville's annual budget be dedicated to the purchase of art for public buildings or places.

The 153-acre Rockville Civic Center Park, at 603 Edmonston Drive, provides a quiet space for visitors to reflect on the sculptures.

To submit a sculpture to be considered for the exhibition, contact Betty Wisda at [bwisda@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:bwisda@rockvillemd.gov) or 240-314-8681.

For more information, visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/arts](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/arts).

# Explore City Parks



The Rockville Dog Park is a romp in the park for your canine companion.

## Calling All Canines! Rockville's Dog Park is the Place for You

Dog owners can find four-legged playmates for their pets at Rockville's dog park at Gaither Road and Piccard Drive in King Farm.

The park is open to dogs that are licensed with the City of Rockville. Features include drinking fountains, park benches, picnic tables, a Mutt Mitt Station with bags to dispose of dog waste, and a shade shelter spanning the large and small dog areas.

Dog licensing is handled by the Rockville City Police Department's Neighborhood Services/Animal Control Division. All dogs older than 4 months are required to be licensed.

Residents wishing to use the dog park can com-

plete a pet registration application, available at [www.rockvillemd.gov/dog-park](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/dog-park), and submit it with payment to the Rockville City Police Department, Neighborhood Services/Animal Control Division, 2 W. Montgomery Ave., Rockville, MD 20850.

Newly licensed dog owners will be given the dog park access code after receipt of the pet registration application and payment and verification of residency.

For information about the dog park or the access code, call 240-314-8700 or email [dogpark@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:dogpark@rockvillemd.gov).

For more information about dog licenses, call 240-314-8930. ❖

## Grow Local with the City's Garden Plot Program Spaces Available for the 2015 Growing Season

Connect with neighbors while growing fresh fruits and vegetables right here in Rockville to feed your family and share with others. Join fellow gardeners at Wootton Mill Park on Hurley Avenue and participate in the 2015 community garden growing season.

The city provides plots with access to water spigots, while gardeners bring their own fencing, weed barrier, hoses, tools and other supplies.

Plots measuring 20 feet by 25 feet are available to rent through Nov. 8 for \$55 per plot



for city residents and \$80 for nonresidents.

For more information, call 240-314-8660, visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/garden-plots](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/garden-plots) or email [nbelice@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:nbelice@rockvillemd.gov). ❖

## Summer Concerts Return to Rockville Parks

Rockville gives you a great way to enjoy city parks this summer at its "Free for All in the Parks" concert series. The free concerts, held on Thursdays, feature lively, family-friendly entertainment. Bring a blanket, lawn chair, bug repellent and a picnic.

Here's the lineup:



### 4 Star Combo

June 18 at 7:30 p.m. at Montrose Community Center, 451 Congressional Lane

High-energy 1950's rockabilly and honky-tonk, sounding like a long-lost radio broadcast from 1956.

### The Tom Lagana Group

June 25 at 7:30 p.m. at College Gardens Park, 615 College Parkway

One of the area's finest guitarists will help you enjoy cool jazz on a hot day.

### James Mabry

July 9 at 7:30 p.m. at Maryvale Park, 1000 First St.

Acoustic blues guitar. The blues never sounded so good!

### Carol Bullock Sing-a-Long

July 16 at 7:30 p.m. at Pump House Park, 401 S. Horners Lane

Bring the whole family to sing American classics and folk.

For more information on "Free for All in the Parks," visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/arts](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/arts) or call 240-314-8620. In case of inclement weather, call 240-314-8682 after 4 p.m. on the day of the event. ❖



## Croydon Creek Hosts Free Kids to Parks Day

Let Croydon Creek Nature Center help you get outside to enjoy nature as the city celebrates Kids to Parks Day from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, May 16.

Kids to Parks Day is free and open to the public. Visitors are invited to explore the center and the surrounding 120-acre Hayes Forest Preserve, with well-maintained hiking trails that meander through the forest and along a creek. The center will be open for kids to do a make-and-take craft during the event.

The National Parks Trust's Kids to Parks Day is a day of play that promotes environmental stewardship

and healthy outdoor living. This year, the trust expects that more than 37,000 kids across the country will participate in Kids to Parks Day.

The Mayor and Council are scheduled to issue a proclamation at their May 11 meeting declaring May 16 as National Kids to Parks Day in Rockville.

The nature center is located at 852 Avery Road, off Baltimore Road behind Rockville Civic Center Park.

For more information, visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/croydoncreek](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/croydoncreek) or [www.kidstoparks.org](http://www.kidstoparks.org) or call 240-314-8770. ❖

# Your Summer Picks

## Summer at the Community Centers

There's always something happening at Rockville's community centers, where people connect with friends and neighbors, take classes, work out in the fitness center, play in the gym or attend special events. Here's what's coming up this summer:

### Teen Spring Fling Dance

**Friday, May 8, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Twinbrook Community Recreation Center, 12920 Twinbrook Parkway.** Grades: 5-7. \$3 per person at the door.

### Family Movie Night

**Friday, June 5; 8-9:30 p.m. Twinbrook Community Recreation Center.**

Enjoy a night of family fun watching a movie outside on the big screen. The event will be held in-

side in case of inclement weather. Refreshments will be sold by the Twinbrook Elementary School PTA. \$3 per person at the door.

### Late Night Friday Carnival

**Friday, June 6; 7-10 p.m. Thomas Farm Community Center, 700 Fallsgrove Drive.** Grades: 3-7

Celebrate the beginning of summer with fun activities and carnival games. Refreshments will be sold.

Preregister online using course #51172. Cost is \$7 for Rockville residents/\$10 nonresidents or \$15 nonresident at the door beginning at 6:30 p.m.

### Tiny Tots Book Swap

**Tuesday, July 28; 10 a.m.-noon. Thomas Farm Community Center.** Ages:



4 and younger.

Bring gently used children's books and CDs. For each item you bring, you will be given one ticket that can be used to exchange for a different item. Tots will enjoy a fun play space, take part in games, crafts and refreshments.

Find fees and course numbers in the summer

recreation guide at [www.rockvillemd.gov/guide](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/guide).

Register for any of these programs at [rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov](http://rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov) or in person at City Hall or city recreation facilities. Learn more in the recreation guides at [www.rockvillemd.gov/guide](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/guide) or 240-314-8620. ❖

## Fitzgerald Theatre Hosts Opera, Barbershop Harmonies and Video Game Music

You don't have to go far in Rockville to experience the arts – try a show this spring at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre. On tap for May and June:



### Hometowne USA Barbershop Chorus presents "Dream Realized"

**7:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 9**

"Dream Realized" is a story of a young man in the army. Dreams of show business lead him to try out for a part in a Broadway musical.

The chorus hosts an evening of a cappella singing and rousing Dixieland band numbers. Guests include the Heart of Maryland women's barbershop chorus and the Village Dixieland Jazz Band.

Tickets: \$20; children under 10 are free.

### Dawn Crafton Dance Connection presents its "Spring Production"

**7 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, May 14-15; 4:30 and 7 p.m. on Saturday,**



**May 16; Noon and 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 17**

Tickets: Call 301-840-8400.

### Rockville Chorus presents its "Spring Concert"

**7:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 17**

This ensemble of 80 mixed voices performs classical choral repertoire, Broadway music, classical jazz arrangements and original compositions from contemporary composers, typically in four-part harmony.

No tickets required; \$5 suggested donation.

### Washington Balalaika Society Presents its "Spring Concert"

**2 p.m. on Sunday, May 31**

The Washington Balalaika Society was founded in 1988 by a group of Washington-area musicians interested in studying

and performing the music of Russia, Ukraine and Eastern Europe on traditional Russian folk instruments.

Tickets: \$25 adult; \$20 senior; \$15 student; children under 12 are free.

### Washington Metropolitan Gamer Symphony Orchestra presents "Video Game Music in Concert"

**7 p.m. on Saturday, June 6**

Led by Musical Director Nigel Horne, the WMGSO's 75 instrumentalists and singers render — and sometimes reimagine — the music of video games as soulful and soaring classical works. Enjoy a modern, family-friendly twist on classical music. This performance is supported in part by funding from Montgomery County and the Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County. FREE.

### Victorian Lyric Opera Company presents Gilbert & Sullivan's "Ruddigore"

**8 p.m. on Thursday, June 11 (preview night); 8 p.m. on Fridays, June 12 and 19; 8 p.m. on Saturdays, June 13 and 20; 2 p.m. on Sundays, June 14 and 21**

None of the village girls stand a chance at marriage because all the young men love Rose Maybud. Robin Oakapple also loves Rose, but is too shy to court her, partly because he is the accursed Baronet of Ruddigore, disguised.

Community Outreach Matinees on June 14 and 20 begin at 12:45 p.m. with backstage tours and a craft activity for kids. There will be a talk-back session with cast and crew immediately following these performances.

Tickets: \$24 adult; \$20 senior (65 and older); \$16 student; \$12 general admission on preview night.

The F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre, nestled in Rockville's Civic Center Park at 603 Edmonston Drive, and its social hall are available as rental venues for public and private events.

Learn more at [www.rockvillemd.gov/theatre](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/theatre) or by calling the box office at 240-314-8690. ❖

## THINGS TO DO IN ROCKVILLE

### 30th Annual Twilight Runfest Hits the Pavement July 18

**Register Now for the 8K or Family Fitness Run/Walk**  
The City of Rockville and Rockville Rotary Club will host the 30th Annual Rockville Rotary Twilight Runfest on Saturday, July 18 in and around Rockville Town Center.

The race, complete with live music, refreshments and an after-race block party, has grown to attract thousands of runners and their families and friends. Community members will gather again this year to enjoy a route through Town Center and nearby neighborhoods.

The runfest welcomes runners of all skill levels. Participants can choose to run an 8K race (which includes a wheelchair division) or a family fitness run/walk (choose the 1K or 2-mile route).

Proceeds benefit the Rockville Youth Recreation Fund and the Rockville Rotary Club Community Grants Program. It is the primary contributor to the Rec Fund, which provides financial assistance to individuals who otherwise would not be able to participate in Rockville recreation programs. Learn more about the Rec Fund in the ad on page 12.

Find registration and general information at [www.rockvillemd.gov/twightrunfest](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/twightrunfest). Questions? Call 240-314-8620.

### Ready, Set, Teens On The Go!

**Eight Weeks of Field Trips Start June 22**

Rockville Teen Programs organizes affordable day trips throughout the summer for teens. Details are on pages 26 and 27 of the summer recreation guide, which can be found at [www.rockvillemd.gov/guide](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/guide), at City Hall and at Rockville recreation facilities.

Get together with friends or meet new ones on Teens On The Go trips to Kings Dominion, Dave and Buster's at Arundel Mills or a Frederick Keys baseball game. Other trips include swimming, bowling, indoor rock climbing and more.

Registration opens on Tuesday, May 19 via [rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov](http://rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov) or in person at City Hall or city recreation facilities.

Learn more at [www.rockvillemd.gov/teens](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/teens) or by contacting Nina Herndon at 240-314-8634 or [nherndon@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:nherndon@rockvillemd.gov).

### Rockville Art League Works on Display at Glenview Gallery

**Painting and Photography to be Exhibited**

Glenview Mansion Art Gallery will open its May exhibition with a free reception, open to the public, to meet the artists on Sunday, May 3, from 1:30-3:30 p.m.

The Rockville Singers will entertain with standards, Broadway and popular tunes at 2 p.m.

Artwork on display through May 29 includes works by members of the Rockville Art League in a juried members show.

The gallery welcomes the public to a free opening reception to meet artists Juliya Ivanilova, Nighat Ahmed and Jo Levine on Sunday, June 7, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. A concert by flute-and-harp duo Beau Soir Duo at 2 p.m. will transport you to another era.

Ivanilova's oil on canvas, Ahmed's painting and photography and Levine's photography will be on display through June 26.

Glenview Gallery, in the mansion in Rockville Civic Center Park, 603 Edmonston Drive, is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. It is closed on weekends and holidays.

Learn more at [www.rockvillemd.gov/glenviewgallery](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/glenviewgallery) or by calling 240-314-8682.



**"Modest," by Jo Levine, will be on displaying in June.**

## IN BRIEF

### Earn Student Service Learning Credits This Summer

The city's Community Services Division will offer a summer program that allows high school students to select volunteer activities in order to have a meaningful student service experience.

Students entering high school or already in high school will be able to earn at least 27 hours of SSL credit per three-week session. The sessions will be half-days, three days a week.

An informational meeting will be held in May. The program will begin at the end of June. For more information or to register, contact Kate Bouwkamp at 240-314-8317 or [kbouwkamp@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:kbouwkamp@rockvillemd.gov).

### Summer Recreation Season is Upon Us

Rockville's summer recreation guide is available at [www.rockvillemd.gov/guide](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/guide) and at City Hall and city recreation facilities.

Check it out to discover classes, programs and special events for a variety of ages and interests. Nurture young children's enthusiasm for music and movement at Music Together (ages birth to 5), try a tennis class for children or adults, or sign up your youngsters for ballet.

The guide also includes a wide range of aquatic opportunities at the Rockville Swim and Fitness Center, classes for seniors and information about Teens On the Go, the city's summer field trip program for teens.

Registration opens to senior and swim center members on Thursday, May 14 and to the general public on Tuesday, May 19. Most programs begin the week of June 15.

Register at [rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov](http://rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov) or in person at City Hall or Rockville recreation facilities. For more information, call 240-314-8620.

# Neighborhood Notes

## Meet Your Neighbor: Rockville's Mindstorm Masterminds

From its launch in a home in Rockville's King Farm neighborhood, the Mindstorm Masterminds, a team of students with a shared interest in robotics, technology and innovation, is reaching new heights in the FIRST LEGO League (FLL).

After competing in the FLL state championship for three consecutive years, the Rockville team qualified this year for the FLL World Festival, held in St. Louis in late April.

FLL, sponsored by the international robotics program For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST), challenges teams of students ages 9 to 14 to complete a challenge and to program a robot to compete in a game on a playing field designed around a theme. FLL challenges ask teams to find



innovative solutions to world problems. This year, the team created a board game called Stock Market Kahuna that teaches children about the stock market and investing. For the robotics portion of the competition, the team created a Robot Positioning System that allows its robot to detect its position on the field and move accordingly.

Team members said the experience isn't just about robots and investing games, it's about discovering new things.

"You learn about com-

munication, especially," said Shiv Luthra, the team's co-captain. "So I think even if you're not into science you would have a good time."

The team meets at least twice a week in King Farm and goes on outings, including this year to the Unpub convention for unpublished games, to meet finalists for the Intel Science Talent Search and to the FIRST Robotics Competition at the University of Maryland, College Park, where they interacted with high school students on robot-building

teams from around the country.

"I think it's important with them to communicate with kids, because kids often learn from kids," said Pankaj Oberoi, a father of two team members and the team's volunteer coach. "I can tell a kid to do something or I can say 'This is how you do it,' but the real 'a-ha' moment is when they work together."

"Meet Your Neighbor" is a feature of "Rockville Reports" and Rockville 11, profiling community members who contribute time and talents to Rockville. To nominate someone for a future "Meet Your Neighbor," email [meetyourneighbor@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:meetyourneighbor@rockvillemd.gov). Find video of this month's neighbors and a playlist of past "Meet Your Neighbor" features at [www.rockvillemd.gov/youtube](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/youtube). ✚

## Farmers Market Opens for the Season on May 16

Rockville's Farmers Market features fresh fruits, vegetables, meats, cheeses, baked goods, plants, flowers, preserves, honey, herbs and more throughout the season.

The market participates in the Maryland Market Money Program. The program is intended to be an incentive for participants in federal nutrition benefit programs – the Farmers Market Nutrition Program (FMNP), the Fruit and Vegetable Check Program (FVC) and the Supplemental Nutritional

### THE MARKET WILL BE OPEN

**WHEN:** Saturdays, May 16-Nov. 21 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

**WHERE:** In the jury parking lot at the corner of Route 28 and Monroe Street

Assistance Program (SNAP) – to spend their benefits at the farmers market. Participants' benefits are matched up to \$10 per market visit while funds are available.

Organizations or individuals wishing to contribute to the Maryland Market Money program can email



[specialevents@rockvillemd.gov](mailto:specialevents@rockvillemd.gov).

Visit [www.rockvillemd.gov/farmers](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/farmers) to learn more

and to view a photo gallery from last year's market. For more information, call 240-314-8620. ✚

## Rockville Senior Center HEALTH FAIR



Wednesday, May 27  
11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**FREE**

Health screenings,  
healthy snacks and more!!




### Give to the Rockville Youth Recreation Fund

This scholarship fund provides financial assistance to those who would not otherwise be able to participate in City of Rockville programs and activities.

If you would like to contribute, you may send a check, "add up" on your registration form, or donate at [rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov](http://rockenroll.rockvillemd.gov) with the following donation course #:

- \$25, course #46993
- \$50, course #46994
- \$75, course #46995
- \$100, course #46996

Checks can be mailed to Rockville Recreation and Parks Department, "Rockville Youth Recreation Fund Donation," 111 Maryland Ave., Rockville, MD 20850.



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